

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 JAKART 05683 020628Z
ACTION EA-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 H-01 INR-10
L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 SP-02 SS-15 ICA-11
OMB-01 AID-05 HA-05 /077 W
-----127660 020635Z /21

R 020605Z MAY 78
FM AMEMBASSY JAKARTA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8487
INFO AMCONSUL MEDAN
AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE
AMCONSUL SURABAYA

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE JAKARTA 5683

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINT, ID
SUBJECT: PROSECUTION DEMANDS 20-YEAR SENTENCE FOR SAWITO

REF: JAKARTA 4692

1. FOLLOWING A COURT DECISION APRIL 17 THAT NO MORE WITNESSES WOULD BE CALLED TO TESTIFY IN THE TRIAL OF SAWITO KARTOWI-BOWO FOR CONSPIRING TO OUST PRESIDENT SUHARTO, THE PROSECUTION PRESENTED ITS DEMAND MAY 1 FOR A FINDING OF GUILTY AND A SENTENCE OF 20 YEARS IMPRISONMENT. PROSECUTOR MAPIGAU NOTED THAT SAWITO COULD RECEIVE THE DEATH PENALTY, LIFE IMPRISONMENT, OR 20 YEARS ON SUBVERSION CHARGES, AND ALTHOUGH THE ONLY MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCE IN HIS CASE WAS THE FACT THAT HE HAD NEVER BEFORE BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME, THE PROSECUTION WAS TASKING FOR THE LIGHTEST SENTENCE.

2. MAPIGAU ALLEGED THAT THE DEFENDENT HAD USED MYSTICISM AS A CLOAK IN HIS DECEPTION OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS AND FORMER VICE PRESIDENT HATTA, PERSUADING THEM TO APPROVE HIS CRITICISMS OF THE SUHARTO REGIME. MOREOVER, HE STATED, SAWITO
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 JAKART 05683 020628Z

DISSEMINATED LIES ABOUT THE PRESIDENT AND HIS FAMILY, LIES WHICH WERE PROVEN FALSE BY THE HUNDREDS OF LETTERS SENT TO THE PEOPLE'S CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY (MPR) SUPPORTING SUHARTO'S RE-ELECTION, AND BY THE FACT THAT HE WAS THE ONLY CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

3. SAWITO APPEARED UNRUFFLED BY THE CHARGES, AND ASKED FOR

FOUR WEEKS TO PREPARE HIS FINAL PLEA. THE COURT AGREED TO
THREE WEEKS, WITH THE NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD MAY 22.
MASTERS

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: COURT DECISIONS, POLITICAL PRISONERS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 02 may 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978JAKART05683
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780186-0457
Format: TEL
From: JAKARTA
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t197805103/aaaadjya.tel
Line Count: 65
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 8c42d593-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: ONLY
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: ONLY
Reference: 78 JAKARTA 4692
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 30 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2522150
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PROSECUTION DEMANDS 20-YEAR SENTENCE FOR SAWITO
TAGS: PINT, ID, (SAWITO KARTOWIBOWO)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/8c42d593-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014